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June 17, 2014 – San Francisco, CA – AUGUSTA AMONG TOP CITIES ON THE RISE IN GEORGIA

NerdWallet, a consumer advocacy website, recently conducted a study to find the fastest-growing cities in Georgia – and Augusta ranked #10.

To find the fastest-growing cities in Georgia, NerdWallet evaluated 37 cities, towns and census-designated places and examined the following variables:

- Population growth
- Employment growth
- Income growth

Augusta, a city rich with history, saw the median income for full-time workers increase 10.1% to \$35,624 from 2009 to 2012. The city and county government cooperate to govern the area, which offers diverse employment options including military positions at Fort Gordon, and faculty and support jobs at Georgia Regents University, located in town, along with medicine and manufacturing roles. The city's workingage population grew 2.7% from 2009 to 2012 as well.

Augusta Mayor Deke Copenhaver remarked, "With growth continuing in the City of Augusta it's very exciting to have the rest of the nation recognizing what's happening with our local economy. I've long said that with Fort Gordon's continued growth, the consolidation of Georgia Regents University, local passage of the Transportation Investment Act, the growth in our technology sector and the continued expansion our Plant Vogtle our city is primed to grow at a rate the like of which we've never experienced. I would personally like to thank NerdWallet for their data based approach to this ranking and I'm very hopeful Augusta will continue to move up the list as we truly are a city on the rise."

Other places in the top 20 include Roswell and LaGrange. See the full study here.

For more information about NerdWallet, visit nerdwallet.com/cities.

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About NerdWallet

NerdWallet is a consumer-friendly financial literacy website that helps consumers make better decisions about their personal finances and more. We have been featured in The New York Times, Wall Street

Journal, and Reuters; consumer advocates Liz Weston and Clark Howard have recommended our products.

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